

January 15, 2008

**EAST BERNSTADT SCHOOL DISTRICT
LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT**

A local Public hearing was held at the East Bernstadt Independent School Library on January 14, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. local time. The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a revision to the District Facility Plan developed by the East Bernstadt Independent Local Planning Committee. The local planning committee voted 8-0 in favor of the proposed revised plan and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the revision.

There were 10 people in attendance. Homer Radford, Superintendent served as the locally appointed hearing officer. Two parents, Dana Labhart and Cristin Adams, were present. One local business representative, Sherri Elza, was present at the hearing. Moss Feltner, a citizen of the community and Gene Allen, the Board Chairman were present. B. Daniel Roll, Architect who assisted with the planned revisions, was in attendance. Ray Roundtree, a community member and Assistant to the Superintendent for Development and Organization, and three employees of the East Bernstadt School District - Janice Reid, Instructional Supervisor; Jim Meding, Principal; and Janice Milwee, Family Resource/Youth Services Center Director - were in attendance.

COMMENTS

Mr. Radford called this public hearing to order and welcomed all who were in attendance. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed amendment to the District Facility Plan that includes the replacement of the elementary classroom building with a new facility. **The Plan also includes major renovation and expansion of the existing gymnasium, the construction of a bus loop for the drop-off and pick-up of students, and the construction of a parent drop-off and pick-up loop for students. The existing elementary building will be removed once the new elementary building is completed.**

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. Dana Labhart, parent, noted that she volunteered on a regular basis and visited many classrooms. She indicated that existing classrooms were very crowded and she was excited about having a new facility with bigger classrooms. Janice Milwee, Family Resource/Youth Services Center Director, inquired about where the resource center will be located in the new facility and if there would be enough room for after-school child care activities. Moss Feltner, community member, inquired about the renovations to the gymnasium and whether new bleachers would be installed. Gene Allen, local board member, inquired about the renovations to the gymnasium and if there would be a new ceiling and heating and air conditioning.

Mr. Radford noted that the Local Planning Committee and the East Bernstadt Independent Board of Education worked hard to develop this amended plan and he expressed his thanks for the work that was accomplished by both groups.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Amended District Facility Plan developed by the East Bernstadt Local Planning Committee and adopted by the East Bernstadt Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the East Bernstadt Independent School District. A copy of the amended plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by;

Homer Radford, Hearing Officer

Timothy K. Lucas, KDE Fac. Mgmt.

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director
Planning File

Att: East Bernstadt Ind. Schools District Facility Plan